November 5, 2013 ballot issues:
Durango Fire Protection District agreement with the City and Bag Fee Referendum Ballot Issue

Durango Fire Protection District Ballot Issue
Question 2A: Without increasing any existing City tax or imposing any new City tax, shall the City of Durango be authorized to enter into the agreement for fire protection and emergency medical services with the Durango Fire Protection District (“DFPD”) effective January 1, 2014,

Pursuant to which:

- DFPD will be the sole provider of fire protection services and emergency medical services to the city commencing January 1, 2014 and ending December 31, 2028, unless earlier terminated as provided in the agreement;

- The City will agree to pay to DFPD an annual fee equal to the following: the assessed value of all taxable property located within the City’s boundaries (as determined and certified by the assessor of La Plata County each year on or about December 1st of the prior year) multiplied by 5.7 mills (the proposed mill levy of DFPD) and an amount equal to the specific ownership tax which would be payable to DFPD by the La Plata County Treasurer each month if the property within the city was within the boundaries of the DFPD;

- The City shall pay DFPD a capital contribution of $4,080,780 payable in monthly installments of $22,671.00 during the term of the agreement;

All as more fully set forth in the form of the agreement approved by the City Council on September 3, 2013?

For: 83.81% ~ 3,826 votes
Against: 16.19% ~ 739 votes

Bag Fee Referendum Ballot Issue

Question 2B: Whether to repeal the City Council-approved ordinance O-2013-11 assessing a fee of 10 cents for the provision of a plastic or paper bag by a major grocery store in Durango. More specifically:

Shall the following ordinance be repealed?

Ordinance O-2013-11

AN ORDINANCE ENACTING A NEW ARTICLE III OF CHAPTER 10 OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF DURANGO ESTABLISHING, EFFECTIVE AS OF MARCH 1, 2014, A DISPOSABLE CHECKOUT BAG FEE OF 10¢ PER DISPOSABLE PAPER OR PLASTIC CHECKOUT BAG PROVIDED BY A GROCER (YEAR ROUND, FULL-TIME, SELF-SERVICE MARKET WITH RETAIL MARKET AREA OF 25,000 SQUARE FEET OR MORE) OR BUSINESS OPTING-IN TO A CUSTOMER AT THE POINT OF SALE FOR PURPOSES OF TRANSPORTING GOODS.

For the ordinance (opposed to repeal): 43.75% ~ 2,072 votes
Against the ordinance (in favor of repeal): 56.25% ~ 2,664 votes